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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed August 4, 2006,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims, which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 6 of this paper.